



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Noboru YANAI et al.**

Art Unit: 3663

Application Number: **10/590,012**

Examiner: **Vadim Dudnikov**

Filed: **August 21, 2006**

Confirmation Number: **6798**

For: **GAS TURBINE PLANT**

Attorney Docket Number: **062807**

Customer Number: **38834**

RESPONSE TO SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 29, 2008

Sir:

Claims 1-6 are pending. Please refer to the Preliminary Amendment filed August 21, 2006.

In response to the requirement for an election of species dated May 29, 2008, applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Species II (claim 3) and Sub-species A (claim 6). It is believed that claims 1, 3, 4 and 6 read on the elected species. The applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

The applicant respectfully requests an early examination on the elected claims and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

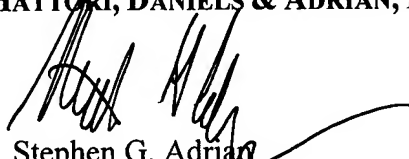
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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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